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On 8 February 1955, the Soviet Ambassador to East Germany, Georgiy M. Pushkin, informed all members of the SED Politbüro concerning Georgiy M. Malenkov's replacement by Nikolay A. Bulganin as Chairman of the USSR Council of Ministers. On this occasion Pushkin stated that the Soviet policy toward Germany would continue unchanged, although there had been some differences in this field at the Kremlin. These differences had, however, been slight and had scarcely contributed to Malenkov's release. Pushkin suggested that no speculations be made on the reasons for the reshuffle in the Soviet Government, since the official statements on this event were all that was known about this affair.

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